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To: V.P. BPA Greg Delwick

Subject: WDFW BPA Contract Violations?

From: Rob Kavanaugh 

WDFW staff and records obtained via the Public Records indicate that BPA funds were used to support the Pilot Grazing Project. Earlier you agreed this must not be allowed. And earlier I voiced this possibility to Joe deHerra.

The documents show WDFW Mgr. Dice hired three new temps. and assigned them Pilot Grazing project fencing work. One was seriously injured. (WDFW staff reports)

We asked the State Auditor to investigate using his "federal funds" auditor. We also voiced concerns to the WDFW auditor Jack Needham.

As we agree federal mitigating funds must not be used for the Pilot Grazing Project at all. Yet the three documents show that these persons were hired at the Blue mtn. WMA and only three. They were used to construct internal Pilot Project fencing as evidenced by these documents. Please investigate and take corrective action.

We have serious concerns this project is seriously damaging the habitat, water & soils as evidenced by Nez Perce Tribal investigators. (photos & pers. communications Raney & Sondema)

Finally I'm concerned that de Herra is not able to monitor and or audit the actions of WDFW contracts without making on site investigations. It now appears that he neglected to inform WDFW that they must not use BPA funds/fes for the Pilot Grazing Project contrary to your direct directions? Please provide me a copy of a document from BPA to WDFW to this effect. (A Freedom of Information Act Request) We will inspect the damaged areas and the new fences beginning on 19 June. You are welcome to attend. Congressional staff and the Governors staff may also attend.

cc. State Auditor

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